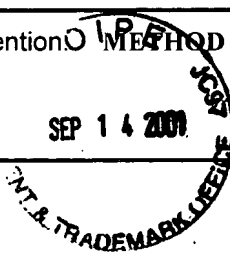



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Invention <b>METHOD FOR REDUCING TENSILE STRESS ZONES IN THE SURFACE OF A PART</b>					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: left;">  <p><b>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.</p> <p>The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: right; width: 20%;"> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">RECEIVED SEP 18 2001 TC 2800 MAIL ROOM</p> </div> </div>					
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